IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION

AMERICA ATHEISTS INC.; BETTY JO FERNAU; CATHERINE SHSHONE; ROBERT BARRINGER; and KAREN DEMPSEY

PLAINTIFFS

v. Case No. 4:19-cv-00017-KGB

STANLEY JASON RAPERT, in his Individual and official capacity

DEFENDANT

MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL DATE

Comes now Defendant, Stanley Jason Rapert, by and through his undersigned counsel, and for his Motion to Continue Trial Date states:

- 1. Upon the Court's own motion, trial for this case was set for October 3, 2022.
- 2. Counsel for Defendant has a jury trial set by Court Scheduling Order for Monday, October 3rd, 2022 (See MARY KATHERINE MYERS, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL MYERS, DECEASED, AND ON BEHALF OF THE WRONG DEATH BEENFICIARIES OF MICHAEL MYERS, DECEASED vs. YAMATO KOGYO COMPANY, LTD et al. Circuit Court of White County, Arkansas, First Division Action No. 73CV-16-181).
- 3. The above-mentioned jury trial was set by Court scheduling order on January 31st, 2022.
- 4. Counsel for Defendant expects above-mentioned jury trial to last approximately ten (10) days.

5. Therefore, Defendant respectfully requests for a minimum of a 30-day continuance of the presently scheduled trial date in this matter.

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing and for good cause shown, Defendant,

Stanley Jason Rapert, respectfully requests that the scheduled trial date be re-set at a

date convenient to the Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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